Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—How much have you taken for each class ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—We give only half.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Is it at Rs. 15 per class ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Rs. 15 or Rs. 20, whatever that may be.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—May I take it as Rs. 15 ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—You may take like that.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Then, the amount of Rs. 3,000 is more than what is mentioned. It is only in 174 classes that the system has been introduced.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—But in one school it may be in more than one class.

Cochin Teachers' Association.

142. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—1. Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have approved the Cochin Teachers' Association and its rules, etc. ;

2. will the Government be pleased to state whether they have helped the Teachers' Association in any way, and, if the answer is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to state the particulars of the helps rendered till now ;

3. will the Government be pleased to state whether they have issued any circular to the Managers of the Aided Schools or teachers of Aided or Sirkar Schools to the effect that the number of members of the Teachers' Association may be increased in number ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—1. Yes.

2. Orders have been issued to the Inspecting Officers to render assistance to teachers in their jurisdiction in forming themselves into branches and groups affiliated to the Cochin Teachers' Association. School buildings are allowed to be made use of for holding meetings of the Central and Branch Associations. A donation of Rs. 100 was given to the Association for conducting a Teachers' Magazine.

3. No.

Recognition of Nemmara High School.

143 Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—1. Will the Government be pleased to state why recognition to the Nemmara High School was withdrawn in 1096 and under what article of *the Educational Code* was this done ;

2. when was the grant to this school stopped and why ; what article of *the Code* was violated by the Manager ;

3. whether the Government is in receipt of an 'open statement' before the Government of Cochin by R. Govinda Menon,

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underdated 17th Chingam 1103; if so, will a copy of the same be placed on the table of the House;

4. when was this school started and how long did it work as a High School;

5. has the Government contributed special grants to this school for the construction of the buildings; if so, how much and when;

6. how much money has the Government spent for the Nemmara new Sirkar school building and premises;

7. were students admitted in the Sirkar High School, Nemmara, without transfer certificates; if so, why was *the Code* violated in this matter;

8. were any special fees collected by the Manager of the school; if so, was it entered in the school accounts, inspection reports and the Manager's annual reports; if so, how long did this practice continue and when was objection taken to the collection of special fees for the first time and by whom;

9. were notices pasted on the walls of public offices in Nemmara on 26th Makaram 1096 by the Tahsildar of Chittur that recognition to the High School has already been withdrawn and that boys will be admitted in the Government schools without transfer certificates?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—1. For two reasons. (1) Issue of transfer certificate to a boy on improper grounds and forcing him to leave the school. (2) Irregular levy of unauthorised fees; vide Proceedings dated 5th October 1920, Dis. 586/D/96 published in the Gazette. Copy of the Gazette is placed on the Council table.

Articles 25, 59, 69, 109 and 110 of *the Code*.

2. The grant was stopped from 1st Karkadagam 1095, since the Government was convinced that they would not be justified in subsidizing an institution which was conducted according to the whims and caprices of a Manager. Articles 59, 69, 84, 107 and 110 of *the Cochin Education Code* were violated.

Yes. A copy is placed on the Council table.

4. The school was started in Makaram 1064. It became a High School in 1080 and worked till 30th Makaram 1096.

5. Yes. A sum of Rs. 2,500 was given as building grant (Rs. 1,000 in 1087 and Rs. 1,500 in 1088).

6. Rs. 34,836—7—2.

7. Those who came from the old High School, Nemmara were so admitted. It was not a case of violation of *the Code*; since the school from which the pupils came had lost recogniuti owing to irregularities.

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8. Yes. Government have no definite information as to whether they were entered in the records referred to or not. They were not, however, shown as receipts in the grant bill of the school. The special fees were collected from 1088—1096.

By the Director of Education in 1095.

9. Government have no information whether such a notice was pasted or not.

List of aided schools not open to pupils of the Depressed Classes.

144. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of aided schools in which the depressed class pupils are not admitted till now ; if the answer is in the affirmative, will they be pleased to state the reasons that have been stated by the authorities of such institutions?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Vide the statement appended. (*Appendix I.*)

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—The answer to my question is 'Vide Appendix I.' In the Appendix we have got a long list of schools. But in that list it is not clearly stated whether Managers of these institutions have got any other real objection to admit the depressed class pupils.

President.—Please name the particular schools with reference to which you want the answer.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—For instance, 1—14. May I know whether the Managers of these institutions have got any real objection to admit depressed class pupils in their institutions?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—None of them have reported about it.

President.—That is a new question, I should think.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—In some of the schools,—

President.—Please better draw pointed attention to the schools.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—The Malayalam Primary School, Kodamkulangara. There is a caste-Hindu temple close by. May I know what is the distance of the caste-Hindu temple from the school ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I cannot exactly say the distance.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Has the Department approved the explanation given by the Manager ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—'Proximity to a temple', as stated, we think, is a sufficient reason.

Villages in which there is no recognised school.

145. Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Will the Government be pleased to state the exact number of villages in the whole State

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